

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1061

ANSWERED ON:23.10.2008

FOODGRAINS STOLEN FROM TRAINS

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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is an ongoing issue between the Railways and the Food Corporation of India regarding missing of foodgrains worth crores of rupees in transit;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether any complaints/claims in respect of missing foodgrains have been received during the last three years and the current year;
- (d) if so, the zone-wise and year-wise details thereof; and
- (e) the details of the actions taken and the payments made in the above context?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (DR. R. VELU)

(a) to (e): A statement is attached.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF THE UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1061 BY SHRI KINJARAPU YERRANNAIDU & SHRI RAGHUVEER SINGH KOSHAL TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 23.10.2008 REGARDING FOODGRAINS STOLEN FROM TRAINS

(a): Yes, Sir.

(b): Food Corporation of India are demanding about Rs. 37 Crores for non-delivery of about 1500 foodgrain wagons to their Depots upto the year 1996.

(c): Yes, Sir.

(d): Number of missing foodgrain wagons for which claims have been received by the railways are as under:-

Railway Number of missing wagons

	2005-06	2006-07	2007-08	2008-09
	(April'08 to Sep. 08)			
Central	0	0	0	0
Eastern	94	86	21	0
Northern	0	0	0	0
North Eastern	0	1	0	0
North Frontier	626	0	0	0
Southern	54	50	70	0
South Central	58	39	45	0
South Eastern	0	0	0	0
Western	0	0	0	0
East Central	0	0	0	0
East Coast	0	0	0	0
North Central	2	4	5	0
North Western	0	0	0	0
South East Central	0	0	0	0
South Western	0	0	0	0
West Central	0	0	0	0
Konkan Railway Corporation	0	0	0	0
Total	834	180	141	0
Total Missing Wagons	: 1155			

e): If a foodgrain consignment booked on account of FCI is not delivered at the original destination due to diversion, congestion in godowns or because of the consignment getting unconnected, the practice is that the same is delivered to the FCI only at another station. In fact food grain consignments booked on private account also when, unconnected are normally delivered to Food Corporation of India. Such diverted movement of wagons are later reconciled and claims for non-delivery are offset against unconnected wagons delivered to FCI at destinations other than the booked destinations. It will thus be seen that reconciliation is a continuous exercise and FCIs diverted wagons are offset by periodical reconciliation only. As the railways have delivered 5966 unconnected foodgrain wagons against their claims of 1155 missing foodgrain wagons for the year 2005-06 to 2007-08 the question of payment of claim does not arise.